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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

**SUBJECT: Briefing of Senator John Stennis re Southeast Asia
and the Middle East**

25X1A 1. In response to the Senator's request for a briefing on the
above subject, [] and I met with Senator Stennis and Ed
25X1A Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee, in the
Senator's private office, room S-240 in the Capitol, at 1600 hours this
afternoon. [] began by briefing the Senator generally along
the lines of material prepared for the Director's briefing this morning
25X1 of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The Senator's questions

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25X1 2. [] then covered the Middle East situation, emphasizing,
with the aid of maps, new surface-to-air installations near the west bank
of the Suez Canal.

3. The briefing was interrupted several times by phone calls
and the Senator's absenting himself when votes were called.

4. I raised privately with Braswell our concern over not having
appeared before our Armed Services Subcommittee for several months.
I said it made us uncomfortable to feel we were keeping the Foreign
Relations Committee, before which we had appeared only this morning,
better informed than our own Subcommittee. I said it might be
embarrassing if, during a floor debate, members of the Senate
Foreign Relations Committee should refer to recent briefings by
the Agency on subjects which we had not discussed with our own
Subcommittee, yet it was obviously impossible not to brief the
Foreign Relations Committee when requested. Braswell

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pointed out that Senator Stennis was completely occupied with the military authorization bill, but agreed that we should have an early meeting of our Subcommittee.

5. Later I raised the same problem with Senator Stennis. He replied that he thought a briefing of the full Armed Services Committee would be useful. I said we would of course be glad to do this, but we also would like to appear before our Agency Subcommittee as soon as it could be conveniently arranged, pointing out that there were some matters which might be of interest to the Subcommittee which could not be freely discussed before the full Committee.



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1. The Director appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in executive session. The meeting lasted from 1000 to 1245 hours. A technical sweep of the room, S-116 in the Capitol, was conducted and the room was kept under technical monitoring throughout. Discussions included SI and TKH material. A transcript was taken and is on file in the Office of Legislative Counsel.

2. Present from the Committee for part or all of the session were:

J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.), Chairman
Stuart Symington (D., Mo.)
Claiborne Pell (D., R.I.)
Gale W. McGee (D., Wyo.)
Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.)
John Sherman Cooper (R., Ky.)

3. Present from the Committee staff were:

Pat M. Holt, Consultant
Arthur Kuhl, Chief Clerk
James Lowenstein, Consultant
Richard Moose, Consultant
Walter Pincus, Consultant

4. Accompanying the Director were:

Office of Current Intelligence
John M. Maury, Legislative Counsel

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5. Follow up action:

a. Provide for the record answers to fifteen questions prepared by the Committee staff regarding Soviet strategic weapons and related matters.

b. Prepare an assessment of the feasibility of

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